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Subject: RE: For Workers Memorial Day: Preventing Falls From: "Rory O'Neill" <editor@hazards.org>

From: "Rory O'Neill" <editor@hazards.org> Date: Thu, 25 Apr 2013 07:36:29 +0100

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For details of 28 April activities worldwide, see www.hazards.org/wmd

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[mailto:bounce-33041508-6838414@listserv.unc.edu] On Behalf Of McNary,

Jennifer (CDPH-OHB)

Sent: 25 April 2013 2:24 AM

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Subject: [occ-env-med-1] For Workers Memorial Day: Preventing Falls

"If it could happen to him it could happen to anybody." Watch this moving video from the CDPH FACE program about a roofing supervisor who died when he fell through a skylight. Released in advance of Workers Memorial Day (4/28/13), the video highlights co-worker testimony of the events that led up to his death and what could have been done to prevent it. http://bit.ly/17X9tw4

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Subject: WHERE IS THE OUTRAGE AGAINT THE WEST FERTILIZER COMPANY?

From: RALIPPIN@aol.com

Date: Thu, 25 Apr 2013 07:13:35 -0400 (EDT)

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OEM Colleagues,

Where is the Occupational Medicine Professional Community's outrage over the "Industrial Terrorism" that occurred in West, Texas last week killing over a dozen people, injuring more than 200 and almost destroying an entire Texas town? This is yet another example of the failure of under-regulated industry as well as a failure of the regulatory agencies themselves. see http://www.click2houston.com/news/west-texas-explosion-who-knew-what/-/1735978/198 85484/-/filyye/-/index.htm

and

http://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2013/04/24/west-texas-west-fertilizer-editorials-debates/2111109/

When is our profession going to wake up and return to our moral roots?

Rick Lippin MD, FACOEM

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Subject: New and recent blog posts from OH-world.org From: John Cherrie <john.cherrie@iom-world.org>

Date: Thu, 25 Apr 2013 23:37:08 +0100

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Parental use of pesticides and brain cancer risks in their children Van Maele-Fabry and colleagues from have the Université catholique de Louvain carried out a review to investigate associations between brain cancer in kids and parental exposure to pesticides. Read about their results

 $\verb|http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/04/parental-use-of-pesticides-and-brian.htm| \\$ 

Doomed to fail?

The Scottish Government has announced ambitious plans for the country to become tobacco-free by 2034, and to achieve this they want to have less than five per cent the population smoking at that time. http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/03/doomed-to-fail.html

Cadmium and the risk of breast cancer A recently published study from a team in Japan describes an investigation of the association between breast cancer and cadmium exposures in women. http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/02/cadmium-and-risk-of-breast-cancer.html

Check the blog using the sidebar view... http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/?view=sidebar

Other posts you may have missed...

Monitoring for Health Hazards at Work now for iPad and Kindle Kindle price £35.62 and paperback £47.49 (including VAT) http://johncherrie.blogspot.com/2011/08/monitoring-for-health-hazards-at-work.html

X2012 and exposure science The X2012 conference, which was held in Edinburgh last July, aimed to cover all areas of human exposure assessment including the general environment, residential and consumer, along with occupational exposure. I gave a keynote at this meeting and the blog includes my slides with audio description.

http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/03/x2012-and-exposure-science.html

Chemical contamination of the skin by deposition, transfer and immersion Read about a newly published a paper dealing with transfer of solids and liquids to the hands.

http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/03/chemical-contamination-of-skin-by.

html Free journal articles on endotoxins

There is a new free virtual issue of the Annals of Occupational Hygiene available. It contains sixteen articles that mostly cover assessments of endotoxin exposure in different industries.

http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/02/free-journal-articles-on-endotoxins.html

European regulators classify formaldehyde as a presumed carcinogen The Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) of the European Chemical Agency (ECHA) has concluded that formaldehyde should be listed as a \$\hat{A}^3\$ presumed human carcinogen\$\hat{A}^2\$ (Carc. 1b) based on laboratory animal evidence. This in in contrast to the US National Toxicology Program\$\hat{A}^1\$'s decision to classify formaldehyde as a known human carcinogen in its 12th Report on Carcinogens and by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC). IARC decided that '...formaldehyde is carcinogenic to humans, based on sufficient evidence in humans and in experimental animals.

http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2013/02/european-regulators-classify.html

Breast cancer and work

Brophy and colleagues describe a case-control study of breast cancer in Ontario, Canada that links several occupations with increased risks. Is the study reliable? Read my views.

http://johncherrie.blogspot.co.uk/2012/12/breast-cancer-and-work.html

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Subject: Going To AOHC in Orlando? Consider Attending Late-Breaking Press Conference / Debriefing Session Following the "Toxic Tour" of the Environmentally Affected Lake Apopka Area Near Orlando

From: Joseph Fortuna <jaf@prism1.org> Date: Fri, 26 Apr 2013 03:53:13 +0000

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Dear AOHC Attendee

I am writing to invite you to a combination press conference and AOHC attendee "debrief" session after the "sold out" Toxic Tour on Monday, April 29 as described below.

This session will be from 2PM - 3PM EDT in the Wekiwa 9 Room at the Rosen Shingle Creek.

Thanks in advance and see you there!!

Joe Fortuna, Secretary

ACOEM Section on Underserved Occupational Populations

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"Toxic Tour" to Expose Dangerous Occupational Hazards for Agricultural Community near Orlando Tour and Press Conference/Debrief Session To Focus on Environmentally Distressed Lake Apopka Area in Central Florida

ORLANDO - Leading advocates for farmworkers' rights and occupational and environmental safety will lead 40 members of the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM) on a tour of a community near Lake Apopka in which agricultural workers and their families have been exposed to a wide range of toxic pesticides and other occupational safety hazards. Farmworkers and their families in this community just west of Orlando face hazards from a landfill, a medical waste incinerator, a sewage treatment plant, and a municipal waste water facility.

A press conference and AOHC attendee "debrief session" at 2pm EDT following the tour will feature a discussion of local, state-wide and national policy solutions to remedy and prevent further damage to people and the environment.

WHAT: "Toxic Tour" and press conference focused on occupational and environmental safety of Lake Apopka region near Orlando

WHO:

- \* Dr. Karl Auerbach, MD, MBA, MS, President, American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- \* Jeannie Economos, Health and Safety Coordinator, Farmworker Association of Florida (FWAF)
- \* Bruce Goldstein, President, Farmworker Justice, Washington, D.C. (A leading advisor in DC on Immigration)
- \* Scott Morris, MD, Chair, ACOEM Section on Underserved Occupational Populations (SUOP)
- \* Gayatri Reddy, President, ACOEM Residents and Recent Graduates Section (RRG)

WHEN: April 29, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. EDT WHERE: Shingle Creek Hotel, 9939 Universal Boulevard, Orlando, FL, Room: Wekiwa 9

The American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, an international society of nearly 5,000 occupational physicians, provides leadership to promote optimal health and safety of workers, workplaces, and environments. ACOEM is the pre-eminent organization of physicians who champion the health and safety of workers, workplaces, and environments. The three-day American Occupational Health Conference is the premier professional meeting for physicians and other health professionals who have an interest in the fields of occupational and environmental medicine; and it is also the annual membership meeting for ACOEM's members.

The Farmworker Association of Florida is a 30-year old, statewide, grassroots, non-profit farmworker organization that works to empower farmworkers in Florida to become agents of change to address the social, political, economic, health and environmental justice issues that impact their lives. With over 10,000 members statewide, the organization works for improved workplace, housing and civil rights protections for the state's farmworkers.

Farmworker Justice is a nonprofit organization that seeks to empower migrant and seasonal farmworkers to improve their living and working conditions, immigration status, health, occupational safety, and access to justice. Farmworker Justice works with farmworkers and their organizations throughout the country.

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